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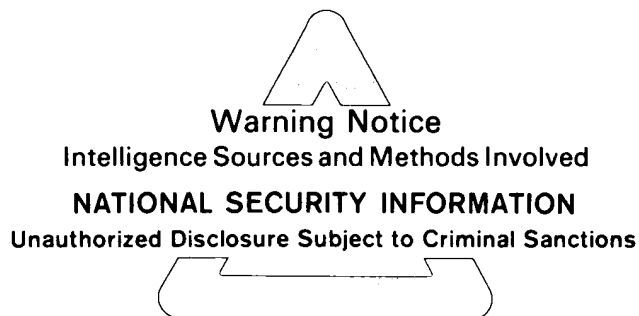
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**NEW SPACE LAUNCH VEHICLE
SONGLIN SPACE LAUNCH SITE A, CHINA**
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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: THE NEW CHINESE SPACE LAUNCH VEHICLE, LONG MARCH 3, IS IDENTIFIED AT SONGLIN SPACE LAUNCH SITE A FOR THE FIRST TIME.

2. (S/D) REMARKS: THE THREE-STAGE SPACE LAUNCH SERVICE GANTRY ARMS ARE RETRACTED. [REDACTED] THE FIRST STAGE OF THE LAUNCH VEHICLE WAS BEING POSITIONED AT THE MISSILE SERVICE TOWER. [REDACTED] THE SERVICE GANTRY ARMS WERE CLOSED, AND IDENTIFICATION OF THE VEHICLE WAS NOT POSSIBLE. THE PRESENCE OF THE LONG MARCH 3 ON THE PAD IS PROBABLY A CONTINUATION OF COMPATABILITY TESTING OF MISSILE EQUIPMENT AND THE LAUNCH FACILITY THAT HAS BEEN ONGOING SINCE THE COMPLETION OF THE LAUNCH SITE IN LATE FEBRUARY 1982.

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(S/D) THE SONGLIN SPACE LAUNCH COMPLEX HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTRUCTION SINCE 1971. ITS RELATIVE SOUTHERN LOCATION INDICATES THAT GEOSYNCHRONOUS SATELLITES WILL BE LAUNCHED FROM HERE USING THE LONG MARCH 3, A THREE-STAGE DERIVATIVE OF THE TWO-STAGE CSL-2.

3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 28-14-50N 102-01-43E

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